

250,000 Go To Sheephead Bay Police Games

Fully 200,000 Succeeded in Entering Inclosure. While 50,000 More Are Turned Back From the Gates

All Sing National Anthem

Governor Smith and Mayor Hylan Among Notables; Some Spectacular Events

Using every available medium of conveyance, approximately 250,000 persons went to the Sheephead Bay Speedway yesterday to see the second field day programme of New York's Police Department.

While the more fortunate used their automobiles or rode in makeshift buses, brewery trucks and even hay wagons, the vast mass were compelled to use the elevated system of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit. The latter made no apparent attempt to cope with what was said to be the largest crowd that ever gathered in New York City.

It was difficult to find a police inspector accustomed to large crowds that could agree on the number of persons at the Speedway, but Fourth Deputy Commissioner Frederick A. Wallis said that there were about 200,000 within the stadium grounds while about 50,000 were turned away.

There were daredevil motor races and "parachute" jumps, as well as an aerial marriage, foot races, discus throwing, sham air battles that stirred up tufts of white in an otherwise deep blue sky, dramatic recitations, the singing of patriotic selections and the playing of numerous bands.

In Chief Grandstand
In the chief grandstand were gathered the notables of the state and city governments, among them Governor Smith, in whose honor the second field day was named, Mayor Hylan and his family, both personal and official, and members of the Abyssinian mission to this country, picturesquely in loose hanging black garments embroidered in gold and red.

About 5,000 wounded soldiers were among the spectators. They were driven to the grounds by the Women's Motor Corps. They were cheered by the great crowd that had gathered as early as 11 o'clock.

A remarkable ovation was given Lieutenant Commander A. C. Read, of the No. 4, which made the first transatlantic flight; Commander J. H. Towers, who was in charge of all three planes that attempted the trip, and Lieutenant Commander P. N. L. Bellinger. They came to the Speedway in an auto mobile, and were escorted to the grandstand, where they were introduced to Governor Smith, Mayor Hylan and other officials.

Audience Joins in Anthem
An impressive event was the playing by all the bands in unison of "The Star Spangled Banner," while Rosa and Camilla Ponselle, of the Metropolitan Opera House, sang. With the second chorus the entire audience, including the Police Glee Club and the Community Chorus of 2,000, joined in the singing. The "sing" was led by Nathan Franko.

When Julia Arthur arose to recite the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" to the accompaniment of Nathan Franko's orchestra, the great crowd sat silent until she was interrupted by a sham battle of airplanes. There was an immediate craning of necks in the direction of the airplanes.

Lieutenant Hiram W. Sherdan, while handcuffed, jumped 2,000 feet from a flying airplane with a parachute. On landing safely he was taken to the grandstand, where Commander Read removed the handcuffs.

Captain Speedy Dives
Then there was a tug-of-war, in which squads of policemen participated, motorcycle races, "wheel" races, foot races and finally automobile races. Captain Speedy made a high dive into a tank of water.

The ten-mile automobile race was won by Tom Milton, who made the course in a Duesenberg in 5:18 3-5. Dan Lewis made the course in a Buick in 5:22, and Haston, Chevrolet, in 5:28 2-5.

Hundreds of clowns provided by Charles Dillingham gamboled up and down the course, causing much laughter. At the morning session was a luncheon at the Waldorf-Astoria, at which Governor Smith was the guest of honor. Commissioner Enright said a great deal of credit for the success of the games must be given the army and navy.

Fourth Deputy Commissioner Wallis estimated that the profits for the two days probably would approximate \$250,000.

U. S. Officers to Study in French Army Schools

WASHINGTON, July 26.—That the United States government and the French government will cooperate in the study in the instruction of officers of their armies was indicated today when the War Department announced that American soldiers were to be selected by General Pershing to take a special military instruction in French schools and at the same time the French government would be requested to detail French officers as instructors and military observers in this country.

General Pershing has been instructed to detail two officers to each of the French schools where military tactics are taught, and to inform the French military authorities that the assignment of one General Staff officer of experience to the General Staff college in Washington as an observer and lecturer, one officer to the schools at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., for duty as an observer and lecturer, and one engineer officer formerly of "Ponts et Chaussées" for duty in the office of the chief of the engineer corps.

In addition, said a statement issued by the War Department today, "the chief of staff is privileged to make arrangements for the attendance of French officers as students at each of our service schools as soon as the future system of military education of the United States is established."

Man Fined \$50 for Kicking Girl, 14, From His Steps

Because he kicked Martha Coyle, fourteen years of age, last Friday night, when she refused to leave his room at his home, 491 East Fifty-sixth Street, Isaac Kaplan was convicted of assault and fined \$50 in Special Session yesterday. He had pleaded guilty to the charge. Witnesses were summoned to testify at the instance of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

Hylan Thanked for Aid To U. S. Provost Guard

General Barry and Major Thomas Praise City Officials for Co-operation

Letters from Major General T. H. Barry, commander of the Department of the East, and Major P. L. Thomas, late commander of the provost guard here, to Mayor Hylan, thanking him and the city officials for their cooperation in the work of the guard, were made public yesterday.

"I cannot praise too highly," wrote General Barry, "the harmonious and helpful cooperation by the municipal authorities of New York City."

"Records show," Major Thomas's letter reads in part, "that the Chief City Magistrate and the Police Commissioner were most concerned in making requests of the military authorities for establishment of a provost guard in this city, and their appreciation of its assistance and cooperation which they have always tendered."

Many Saloons Plan To Close to Save August License Fee

New York Will Be Nearer Dry Than Before; Court Decision Against 2.75 Beer Given as Reason

New York will come nearer seeing actual death gasps of the Demon Rum to-morrow and Tuesday than at any time since the passage of the war-time prohibition measure.

It is expected that the largest number of saloons that ever closed their doors at any time in the history of the city will apply for refund of their license fees for the month of August. It was estimated yesterday that at least 200 bars, including saloons, liquor stores and hotels, would turn in their licenses to save the fees paid to do business during that month.

The court decision against 2.75 per cent beer was given yesterday as the most serious blow to the liquor interests. The fact that the average drinker prefers to purchase his soft drink at a soda fountain rather than at a bar also cuts in materially on the revenue of the saloons remaining open. Still another feature is the fact that saloonkeepers resent the demand that they pay high licenses to sell only soft drinks.

Many of the city's saloons remained open during July to try out the experiment of selling soft drinks and 2.75 per cent beer. Their incomes, according to their owners, were so seriously curtailed as to make continued business unprofitable. In many instances saloons are being sublet at lower rentals than were paid by their original tenants, thus cutting down rents for business purposes.

Saloonkeepers who have gone deeply into the situation predicted that an immediate effect of this drop in business rentals would be felt in the apartment house field, with certain and tangible benefits to renters. Real estate men, however, appeared not to share this belief.

Liquor interests took the strange attitude of appearing as prosecutors of one of their own members yesterday when the Association opposed to National Prohibition offered the services of former United States Senator Joseph W. Bailey, of Texas, to aid in the prosecution of a test case under the Eighteenth Amendment in Rhode Island. In a letter to the Attorney General of the state the organization yesterday called attention to the need for immediate court hearing of all the questions involved and promised to give every assistance in bringing the test case about to be started to the highest tribunal in the country.

Connecticut Official Opens Fight on Beer

Threatens to Prosecute All Who Sell Beverage With More Than 1/2 of 1 P. C. Alcohol

NEW HAVEN, Conn., July 26.—Any liquor dealer or brewer in Connecticut who sells or manufactures malt beer with an alcoholic content of one-half of one per cent or more is liable to immediate arrest, according to a statement issued here today by United States District Attorney John F. Crosby. Federal agents will begin Monday to obtain evidence based on this ruling, he said.

Mr. Crosby returned today from Washington, where he conferred with Attorney General Palmer on the liquor situation in this state. He said evidence of war-time prohibition law violations which occurred since July 1 will be presented to the Federal grand jury at the September term.

Many of the saloons in the cities of the state were still selling beer to night and whiskey and mixed drinks could be obtained without trouble over the bars in many places.

Injured by Folding Bed Woman's Leg Broken by Sudden Rebound of Springs

Mrs. Leah Bernard, eighty-three years old, of Appleton Road, Westchester, while trying to close up a folding bed, yesterday afternoon, was thrown to the floor by an unexpected rebound of the spring, and fractured a leg in two places. The accident happened at the home of Theodore P. Bernard, a son, at 424 Fifty-seventh Street, Brooklyn.

Mrs. Bernard was removed to Methodist Episcopal Hospital.

Fright Over Small Fire Next Door Kills Father

Joseph Serrano, sixty-five years old, died from fright last night when fire broke out in an adjoining apartment at 418 West Fifty-sixth Street. His wife was frightened into hysterics by his death. The fire was in the home of Patrick McGinn, whose daughter, Mary, was slightly burned extinguishing it.

Cashier Held as Forger

Joseph P. Gilligan, thirty-five, of 777 St. John's Place, Brooklyn, under indictment on a charge of forgery, has been lodged in the Tombs to await arraignment. Gilligan was a cashier in the office of Kennedy & Co., stock brokers, 74 Broadway, until October, 1917. The indictment alleges he carried false accounts on the books of the firm.

Nivelle Returns to France

MARSEILLES, July 26.—General Robert Nivelle, commander in chief of the French troops in North Africa and former commander in chief of the French forces on the French front, arrived here yesterday. This is his first visit to France since he was sent to Algeria after the Chemin-des-Dames offensive in 1917.

Mother Mortgages Cattle in Texas to See Dying Son Here

Hatless, in Gingham Apron and House Slippers, She Reaches Gotham Glad to Find Soldier Boy Better

To Mrs. William Hammond on her ranch in Gosham, Tex., came a telegram telling her that her soldier son, Ruel, lay dying in St. Mary's Hospital, Hoboken.

All her life the limits of Gosham had been the boundaries of Mrs. Hammond's world. Hoboken to her seemed a far country. Mrs. Hammond started for Hoboken.

The train north left in a half hour. Mrs. Hammond didn't stop to kiss her children goodbye. There are nine of them at home. She didn't have money for the trip, but her son was dying, and Mrs. Hammond mortgaged her two horses and her cow. When this business deal was completed it was train time and she had had no opportunity to put on her Sunday best.

"Ruel won't mind," she said, so bareheaded and in her house slippers the mother set forth on her long journey bareheaded and in her house slippers she reached New York, a little dazed by the immensity of the uni-

verse. But in the roar and glitter of the great station only one thought held her.

Good News Waiting
"Is he alive?" she asked the representative of the War Camp Community Service who met her.

She was told that he was. Not only that, but he had rallied and there was a chance of his recovery. German gas had wrecked Ruel's lungs, and tuberculosis was finishing the job, until as he heard that his mother was coming. Then he decided to get well.

Mrs. Hammond cried a little right before everybody there in the station, wiping her eyes on the gingham apron she had on when the telegram came. Then, with the stark fear lifted from her soul, she began to get most thoroughly frightened as she was guided through New York's streets.

Streetcars and taxicabs and subways are things dimly appreciated in Gosham, Texas. She shivered continually as the tube express roared south with her aboard, and she almost fainted when she was told a little later that she was now passing beneath the Hudson.

New Dress Provided
"I'd like to look a mite better for Ruel," she said wistfully as she was guided to the lodgings reserved for her in Hoboken, "but I can't afford to spend a cent, with nine hungry kids to feed."

But Texans in New York had heard of her coming, and a brand new dress and hat were waiting for Mrs. Hammond at her boarding house. A little later, arrayed in these, pale faced and breathing hard, the mother entered the ward where her son lay.

Those who watched, turned away when they met. After a moment

Ruel cleared his throat and blinked rapidly.

"Ma," he said huskily, his eyes travelling from the new hat, over the dress, to the carpet slippers. "They can put you in fine clothes, but they can't take the Texas outa your feet!"

Soviet Query Bars Russian Citizenship Delayed

Because he had no opinion whatever on the Bolshevik government of Russia, Alexander Seldin's application for final citizenship papers was denied yesterday, and he was told by Justice Mullan in the Bronx Supreme Court to come back in six months.

Seldin, who came from Russia in 1902, is employed by the Day Publishing Company, 182 East Broadway.

"Don't you think that as a newspaperman you should have some opinion, one way or the other, on such a subject?" asked Justice Mullan.

"No," said Seldin, and lost his chance to become a citizen at present.

Platinum Brought by R-34 To Be Used in Medallions

The shipment of platinum brought to this country by the British dirigible R-34 will be used in making medallions commemorating the historic trip of the aircraft, it was announced last night by Dreier & Co., to whom the metal was consigned.

The shipment is on exhibition in the window of the firm's store in Fifth Avenue.

Mother Loses Plea For Custody of Child

Court Decides Son of Dr. and Mrs. Allers Shall Remain With Father

Justice Kelby, in the Brooklyn Supreme Court, yesterday denied the application of Mrs. Olga S. Allers, of 117 Daniel Low Place, New Brighton, Staten Island, for a writ of habeas corpus for possession of her son, Charles, Jr., six and a half years old, and in the custody of his father.

Dr. Charles Allers began a suit for separation against his wife on June 9. Since that time the couple have been living apart, the father keeping the boy and the mother the girl, Olga, eight years old.

In her application, Mrs. Allers says she wants to take Charles, Jr., to the Adirondacks. In his reply, the father says he is going to take his son there, anyway, and that the mother wants him only "to poison his mind" against his father. He says further that Mrs. Allers had been a partisan of Germany, and during their married life together hit him in the head with a glass, threw shoes at him and struck him with an umbrella.

"It is a great pity," said Judge Kelby in denying the writ, "that lovely, bright, intelligent children, having great love and affection for both parents, should be placed in such a deplorable condition through no fault of theirs. If the parents live apart, the boy wants to live with his father and the girl desires to continue to live with her mother."

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FINAL SALE

50 SUMMER FROCKS
Filmy nets, georgette, crepe de chine, beaded and embroidered. Formerly \$30 to \$119.

EVENING GOWNS
Dinner Dresses and Semi-dresses. Effects: Net, lace, taffeta, satin, velvet. Formerly \$59 to \$179.

If you need an unusually chic model frock to take to the country or for city dinner or roof-garden wear, you will find this sale of price-cutting superlatively tempting.

MAXON MODEL GOWNS

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Women Slugged in Park

Second Case in Two Days Reported in Brooklyn

Hilda Anderson, a nurse maid, was struck with a blackjack yesterday as she leaned over a parambulator on the Parkside Avenue side of the lake in Prospect Park, Brooklyn. Her assailant, a young man, struck her a second blow before the shouts of persons who saw the attack caused him to flee.

The young woman went to Caledonian Hospital for treatment and then returned to her employer's home, 8 St. Paul's Place. She thought the footpad was after a watch and ring she wore. She is the second woman to be slugged in the park in two days.

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The Pre-Inventory Clearance Sale of Women's and Misses' Summer Apparel

At Greatly Reduced Prices

The quantities at each price are limited. And while all sizes and colors are not represented in each style—collectively there is almost every size. All small groups of apparel and odd pieces are included regardless of former prices. The following items are typical of the collection:

Women's Tailored Suits

Of serge, wool jersey and tweed. Also black serge in large sizes. Formerly 39.00 to 55.00 **25.00**

Women's Tailored Suits

Various styles in strictly tailored and trimmed models. Formerly 59.00 to 85.00 **44.00**

Women's Tailored Suits

Exclusive models of gabardine and tricotine. Formerly 85.00 to 150.00 **55.00**

Women's Silk Suits

Of tussah, faille and tricolette in smart country styles. Formerly up to 98.00 **75.00**

Women's Tricolette Suits

Handsome models in navy blue, black, white, tan and gray. Formerly 110.00 to 135.00 **95.00**

Women's Organdie Blouses

Frisled slip-over models in various pastel shades. Formerly 5.50 **3.90**

Women's Slip-Over Blouses

Of vari-colored striped muslins with flower design. Formerly 8.50 **5.50**

Women's Overblouses

Of printed Georgette crepe, vari-toned light and dark colorings. Formerly 18.50 **10.50**

Women's Organdie Skirts

A collection of styles in white and light pastel shades. Formerly 11.50 to 15.00 **4.50**

Women's Georgette and Silk Skirts

Assortment of styles and colors—some with insets of lace. Formerly 29.50 to 35.00 **10.00**

Wool Middy Sweaters

In the favored shades, narrow collars, ribbed bottom. Formerly 6.75 **4.95**

Silk Middy Sweaters

Only one model of a kind from regular stock in various styles. Formerly 25.00 **15.00**

Front and Back Lace Corsets

of Summer Satin & Light Broche

3.95 4.95 5.95

An assortment of various styles including special riding and sports wear models.

For Women & Misses

Tailored and Sports Hats

Formerly 15.00 to 20.00

8.50

A limited collection of hats in straw combined with taffeta, straw with velvet, straw with burnt goose, turbans of straw with feather brims, sport hats and a few of Georgette crepe and felt.

For Women & Misses

White Kid or Buckskin Boots

Reduced to

8.75

The white kid boots are washable and are in laced style, hand welted soles, leather military or covered Louis XVI. heels. The white buckskin are in button, lace, hand turned or welted soles, covered Louis XVI. heels.